

consent of the Board of Estimates of Baltimore city. The Board of Estimates shall grant such privileges, when applied for, under the same conditions and upon the same terms as hereinabove stated with regard to water companies. The territory occupied by any water or sewerage company shall be construed to mean all the territory which is reasonably near to any supply pipe of such company, and which may be considered naturally tributary thereto. 'Supply Pipe' shall mean any water pipe or sewer pipe other than house connections. Full power and authority is hereby given to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to acquire by purchase or condemnation, any water works, water pipes, sewerage disposal plant, sewers and any other property of any kind situate within the territory annexed by this Act to Baltimore city, which may be needed for any public purpose. In any such purchase or condemnation, compensation for the property taken shall be considered to include the value of the property taken and such damages, if any, as the owner thereof may suffer, by reason of such taking. Nothing herein shall be construed to impose any obligation upon the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to purchase any private drains or sewers which may have been constructed in any portion of the territory annexed by this Act to Baltimore city prior to the passage of this Act, and which are not connected with any sewer disposal plant. Nothing in this Act shall be taken or construed as affecting the right of any company or corporation owning or operating a water or sewerage system in the territory annexed to Baltimore city by this Act to make any improvements, or construct, maintain, lay or operate any additional pipes or appurtenances in, under or upon private rights of way, or upon private property; but this provision shall not limit the right of purchase or condemnation herein above given to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore. Nothing in this Act shall be construed to give authority to furnish water or to operate a sewerage plant or system in any portion of the territory annexed by this Act to Baltimore city, to any company or corporation which is not otherwise entitled to do so. The word 'company' or 'corporation' in this section shall be construed to include any person or persons, firm or association."

No. 3—"Amend by changing the numbers of Sections 19, 20, 21, 22, 23 and 24 to Sections 20, 21, 22, 23, 24 and 25, respectively."

*[Which were made the order of the day for March 14, 1916, at 8 o'clock P. M.]*